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TO:

Mobilehome and Special Occupancy Park Owners/Operators

Mobilehome Park and Special Occupancy Parks Interested Parties

City and County Building Officials

Mobilehome and Special Occupancy Park Local Enforcement

Agencies Division Staff

SUBJECT: Approval for the Use and Trenchless Installation of Polyethylene

Sewer Piping in Mobilehome and Special Occupancy Parks

To accommodate the use of new materials and methods of construction and eliminate the need for repeated alternate approvals for the same type of material and installation procedure, this Information Bulletin is issued as a Notice of Approval for the statewide acceptance of the use of high density Polyethylene (PE) sewer piping, specifically PE 3408 Standard Dimension Ratio (SDR) 17, as replacement sewer piping in existing mobilehome and special occupancy parks.

This approval which is issued pursuant to the authority granted the Department by Health and Safety Code Sections 18305 and 18865.6 indicates the Department's finding that this material is at least the equivalent of other approved materials for sewer piping in parks. Repeated successful use of this material and this method of installation after approval by other state agencies and local governments has demonstrated an acceptable equivalency to other approved sewer piping and installation methods.

Additionally, this Information Bulletin formally notifies the public that the Department approves PE 3408 SDR 17 to be installed through horizontal boring and be located beneath units and accessory structures in parks without additional park enforcement agency approvals contingent upon compliance with the following conditions:

1. A permit from the park enforcement agency is obtained for installation of the piping. The fees defined in the California Code of Regulations, Title 25, Chapters 2 or 2.2. including re-inspection fees if necessary, will apply to the permitting and inspection of the installation.

- 2. The PE 3408 SDR 17 sewer piping must be installed in accordance with the piping manufacturer's approved installation instructions and the California Plumbing Code (CPC) Installation Standard for Trenchless Polyethylene (PE) Pipe for Sewer Laterals IAPMO IS 26-99. This approval supersedes the provisions of section 313.4 of the CPC and allows the PE 3408 SDR 17 sewer piping to be located underground beneath the units and accessory structures in existing parks.
- 3. The installed PE 3408 SDR 17 sewer piping must be tested in accordance with the requirements of the California Plumbing Code <u>prior to</u> inter-connection of any lot drain inlet to a mobilehome or special occupancy park's sewage system. Transitions to Schedule 40 Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene (ABS) Drain Waste and Vent (DWV) fittings to grade must remain open for inspection and testing.
- 4. The sewer piping installations must be in accordance with the California Code of Regulations, Title 25, Chapter 2, the Mobilehome Parks Regulations and/or Chapter 2.2, the Special Occupancy Parks Regulations as applicable.
- 5. The bore depth must be documented by drill logs and/or visually inspected as determined necessary by the enforcement agency, or in accordance with the manufacturer's approved installation instructions, whichever is more restrictive. Inspection holes must be located wherever the proposed underground boring will intersect existing utilities (gas, water, electric) and where laterals connect to the park's sewage system.

This Information Bulletin represents approval for the use of PE 3408 SDR 17 installed through horizontal trenchless boring in existing mobilehome and special occupancy parks only and is not an approval of submitted plans.

Any questions concerning this Information Bulletin should be directed to the Mobilehome and Special Occupancy Parks Program at (916) 445-9471.

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